

Benediction Weekly

March 25, 2018

The people of St. Benedict's are called to share God's love as we minister with and to all persons in Los Osos and beyond, providing worship, education, nurture, fellowship and service.



Easter Day Potluck, Next Sunday

Holy Week

TODAY – Palm Sunday

8:00 am Contemplative Communion
10:30 am Palm Sunday Eucharist

Mar 27: Tuesday

5:30 pm Vespers followed by potluck

Mar 29: Maundy Thursday

6:00 pm Stations of the Cross
7:00 pm Eucharist with Foot Washing

Mar 30: Good Friday

12 noon Good Friday Liturgy w/Veneration of the Cross
2:15 pm Stations of the Cross
7:30 pm Tenebrae at Trinity United Methodist Church

Mar 31: Holy Saturday

7:45 pm Great Vigil of Easter

Apr 1: Easter Sunday

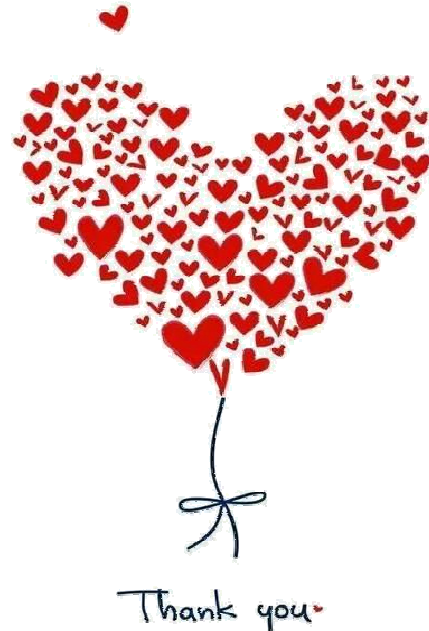
8:00 am Contemplative Communion
10:30 am Festival Eucharist, followed by Potluck Lunch

An EarthCare Trip to Yosemite May 10th-13th

Come with us on a very special trip for three nights to Yosemite National Park, where we will explore its scenic beauty and also our spiritual connection with nature. Joe Morris and Rev. Barry Turner, Co-leaders.

Full details on our website <http://www.stbenslososos.org/>

Cost of the trip is \$250 per person for the three nights lodging in tent cabins in Half Dome Village (plus \$30 Park entrance fee per car). Reservation Deadline is April 26th Apply early, as space is limited to 15 people. Info: contact Barry at 805-784-0670 or carltonba@gmail.com or Joe Morris, at 805-549-0355 or dpj1942@earthlink.net.



Dear friends,

We want to thank you all for the wonderful party on March 16 – musicians, singers, and dancers; cooks and conversationalists; and clergy (especially Caro, Sharon, and Bishop Mary). We also want to thank you for your gift, “Women of Jerusalem”, which we’ll hang on our wall when we set up our new home in Santa Rosa.

With our thanks and prayers, Donna and Rob

Rob and Donna Ross
5555 Montgomery Avenue #11
Santa Rosa CA 95409



If you would like to honor a loved one by contributing for Easter Lilies, please use the envelopes on the Sign-up board to indicate the wording of your dedication (as in memory, thanksgiving, or honor.) Suggested contribution \$10 ea.

Also - **volunteers are still needed** for some areas of ministry at the Holy Week services!

Serving God and the People of St. Benedict's this Week:

Celebrant: The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall; Deacon: The Rev. Sharon Dalrymple; Eucharistic Minister: Jim Arnold;
Chalice Bearer: Esta Kandarian; Lectors: Sarah Chesebro & Bob Pelfrey; Ushers: Lisa Gonzalez & Steve Hirahara;
Greeter: Diana Hammerlund; Altar Guild: Michelle Frazier
Coffee Hour Hosts: Alice Welchert & Anne Kanter; Tellers: Bryson McKelvey & Judy Schloss;
Prayer Team Member: Louisa Beeler; Music Director: John Cribb



**On-Going
Activities
at St. Ben's**

ABUNDANCE SHOP – Thrift shop at 2025 9th St. Tues- Sat 10am-4pm.

BIBLE STUDY – Sundays at 9:20 am

DREAMS & SPIRITUALITY GROUP
First and third Thursdays, 7-8:30 pm.

EARTHCARE – A discussion/action group to formulate local solutions to environmental concerns. 2nd Weds at 2:30 pm.

HEALING SERVICE – a time for prayers for healing at the 10:30 service on 5th Sundays.

HOLLISTER INSTITUTE – Opportunities for stimulating discussion and thoughtful exploration for everyone, whether or not they are members of a church. See website.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER CIRCLE – Prayers for the community and the world. 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, 10am.

MEN'S BREAKFAST – morning social gathering, 2nd Saturdays 9am at Sea Pines Grill.

PEOPLE'S KITCHEN – Providing and serving food at Prado Day Center, 1st Saturday of even-numbered months.

POTLUCK AND PRADO on the 1st Sunday of each month donations to Prado Day Center are collected, and potluck lunch follows 10:30 service.

SATURDAY EUCHARIST - Evening Eucharist on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 5:30pm, followed by potluck supper.

VESPERS AND CONVERSATION 5:30 pm Tuesdays. Vespers service using varying liturgies, followed by potluck supper.

VESTRY / PARISH COUNCIL
3rd Sundays at 12:30pm
The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall, Rector
Pamela Bleisch Strawn, Sr. Warden,
Lisa Gonzalez, Diana Hammerlund,
Esta Kandarian, Alan Kiste,
Michael Lucas, Francis Rivinus,
Barbara Schippers,
Lorienne Schwenk, Lynn Wise

A Reflection for Palm Sunday

“Hosanna!”

Mark 11:1-11 Isaiah 50:4-9 Psalm 31 Philippians 2:5-11 Mark 14:1-15:47

How quickly the crowd gathered around Jesus as he entered Jerusalem and how quickly they dispersed as he was arrested, tried and crucified. People were looking for a powerful figure to challenge the status quo.

As churches and as countries, we need to be aware of the ways in which we use power, even in the name of Jesus. We have a painful history of being colonizers and oppressors. How can we who proclaim Christ as our King resist the temptation to build kingdoms and instead work for justice and freedom for all people?

*National Bishop Susan Johnson
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada*

Prayer:

Blessed are you, Jesus, for in you we find strength and vulnerability. As we enter Holy Week, keep us mindful of all who are in need or are vulnerable. May your outpouring of love inspire us, in turn, to acts of deeper love. Amen

From a series of Lenten Reflections prepared by Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and leaders of the Anglican Church of Canada, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, and the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

**“Emma’s Revolution” Benefit Concert
for People of Faith for Justice (PFJ)
Sunday, April 15th 7:30pm
at United Methodist Church, SLO**

**People’s Kitchen – April 7th
Sign up sheets
in Great Room**



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Sundays:
Contemplative Communion 8a
Bible study 920a
Holy Eucharist with Music 1030a

Weekly Events:
Tuesdays: Vespers 530p, Potluck 615p
Wednesdays: Choir Rehearsal 7p

APRIL HIGHLIGHTS AT ST. BENEDICT'S

- 1 – Easter Day Potluck, 12p
- 4 – Intercessory Prayer Circle, 10a
- 5 – Drop-In Dream Group, 7p
- 7 – People’s Kitchen at Prado, 12n
- 11 – EarthCare Meeting, 230p
- 14 – Men’s Breakfast at Sea Pines Grill, 9a
- 14 – Saturday Evening Eucharist, 530p
- 15 – SLO Deanery Mtg, 2p at St Matthew’s, San Ardo
- 15 – PFJ Benefit “Emma’s Revolution” 730p at UMC SLO
- 18 – Intercessory Prayer Circle, 10a
- 19 – Drop-In Dream Group, 7p
- 23 – Parish Council Meeting, 1230p
- 24 – Healing Ministry Meeting, 2p
- 25 – Laundry Love at Osos Clean Laundry, 5p

Rector’s Vacation:
April 23 – May 7 inclusive



Keeping in Touch during the Week. For counsel & spiritual care, please contact any of the clergy:
The Rev. Dr. Caroline Hall, 704-5826; The Rev. Donna Ross, 235-5117; The Rev. Barry Turner, 784-0670;
or The Rev. Faye Hogan, 541-4595. Call Celeste Pennington with pastoral care & prayer chain requests, 771-8974.

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